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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have desired any strategy to check continuous brain drain in various fields;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefore?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) & (b): Several measures have been taken from time to time by the Government to minimize the outflow of professionals from various fields and also to attract them back to the country from abroad. Some of these measures are:

(i) Setting up of more centres of excellence/advanced studies in the universities and academic institutions.

(ii) Creation of core groups of professionals with necessary modern facilities required for pursuing research in new and frontier areas of science

(iii) S&T based training for entrepreneurial development.

(iv) Increase in the outlay for science and technology sector in successive Five Year Plan.

(v) Manpower development training/re-training programmes through associateships/fellowships/courses.

(vi) Provisions for temporary placement of scientists and technocrats under the scheme of scientists pool.

(vii) Creation of supernumerary posts.

(viii) Invitation to distinguished men and women of Indian origin settled abroad for short term technical assignments to assist in frontier and emerging areas of S&T.

(ix) Fast Track Scheme for Young Scientists.

(x) Better Opportunities for Young Scientists in Chosen Areas of Science and Technology (BOYSCAST) fellowship to visit International laboratories and institutions.

(xi) Award of scholarship under Kishore Vaigyanik Prostsahyan Yojana for talented science students.

(c): Does not arise.